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AO 91 (Rev. 5/85) Criminal Complaint

United States District

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ALAY PERDOMO

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

CASE NO. 06-64-FJL

I, the undersigned complainant, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. On or about May 8, 2006, through June 8, 2006, in St. Lucie County, in the Southern District of Florida and elsewhere, the defendant(s),

conspired to maintain a place to manufacture or distribute marijuana and maintained a place to manufacture or distribute marijuana,

in violation of Title 21 United States Code, Section(s) 856(a)(1), 841(a)(1) 8846.

I further state that I am a Special Agent, Drug Enforcement Administration, and that this Complaint is based on the following facts:

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT.

Continued on the attached and made a part hereof:

Richard G.

Special Ag

Drug Enforgement Administration

YES

NO

Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence,

2006 September

Date

at <u>Fort Pierce,</u> Florida

City and State

FRANK J. LYNCH, JR.

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Name and Title of Judicial Officer

Judicial Officer

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## **AFFIDAVIT**

OF

## SPECIAL AGENT RICHARD LA ROCCA U.S. DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

- I, Richard La Rocca, being duly sworn, depose and state the following:
- I am a Special Agent with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration and have been so employed since January of 2002. Prior to being employed by DEA, your affiant served seven years with the Sunrise Police Department, in the capacity of a narcotics detective. I have conducted and assisted numerous investigations of controlled substances. following information is based on my personal knowledge, as well as information provided to me in my official capacity. Where the statements of others are related herein, they are related in substance and, in part, are not verbatim. This affidavít is prepared for the purpose of establishing probable cause to secure a complaint and arrest warrants for individuals involved in the cultivation of marijuana in homes in St. Lucie County. investigation is ongoing and therefore, this complaint does not contain all of the information known to me concerning the offense(s).
- 2. This is an on-going investigation as a result of multiple indoor marijuana grow operations within the city of Port Saint Lucie, Florida, which commenced on May 8, 2006. On June 8, 2006, police detectives from the Port St. Lucie Police Department Special Investigation Unit received an anonymous tip informing

them of a possible indoor marijuana grow operation at 2281 SW Abalon Circle, Port St. Lucie, Florida.

- Port Saint Lucie Police detectives responded to the residence and observed items associated with an indoor marijuana grow house including plant growing trays, two additional A/C units (which were partially hidden by a wooden stockade fence). Detectives also observed cannabis root systems and growing blocks, which appeared to be thrown over the fence into an adjacent wooded lot.
- Based on the above information, a search warrant was obtained. While detectives were obtaining a search warrant and surveillance was being conducted at the residence, detectives observed a vehicle drive by the residence in a suspicious manner. Investigation revealed that the vehicle was registered to Mirta Villa, the owner of the residence. A traffic stop was conducted on the above vehicle, due to a traffic violation and the driver was identified as Alay PERDOMO. In a post Miranda statement PERDOMO initially stated he was en route to the said residence, in order to assist a friend.
- 5. Further investigation revealed that PERDOMO was possession of a key to the aforementioned residence and he later admitted that he assisted in the caretaking of a marijuana grow operation at the above residence. PERDOMO was detained, until the search warrant was executed at the residence. Once the search warrant was executed at 2281 SW Abalon Circle residence, it was determined that the garage consisted of a harvested indoor

marijuana grow operation. Approximately 57 marijuana plant root systems were observed in the garage.

- 6. A records check conducted for properties associated with defendant Alay PERDOMO revealed an additional address of 2530 SW Savage Blvd. in the city of Port Saint Lucie, Florida. PERDOMO also admitted he resided at 2530 SW Savage Blvd. in the city of Port Saint Lucie, Florida with his mother Mabel GARCIA and Aunt Maria GONZALEZ. PERDOMO told detectives that he had active indoor marijuana grow operation at the 2530 Savage Blvd. residence.
- 7. PERDOMO then signed a consent to search form for the residence and took detectives to the said residence. Once inside the residence, detectives observed a garage and bedroom converted into indoor marijuana grow operation. A search warrant was obtained and the subsequent search revealed an Indoor Marijuana grow house with approximately 68 marijuana plants and other materials and chemicals related to the marijuana grow. PERDOMO advised that he was responsible for the marijuana grow house and gave further details about his involvement in maintaining the grow house.
- 8. PERDOMO also advised detectives that he and his mother (Mabel GARCIA) and aunt (Maria GONZALEZ) had an agreement to vacate the residence if police were investigating the residence. PERDOMO stated on this date, during the traffic stop conducted by law enforcement, PERDOMO notified the above family members (via cell phone) and told them to leave the residence, due to police involvement associated with the mentioned grow houses.

Further your affiant sayeth naught

Richard La Rocca, Special Agent U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration

Sworn and subscribed before me this Long day of September 2006.

FRANK J. EYNCH, JUR. UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE